

**Application for Recognition of Exemption
Under Section 501(a)**

OMB No. 1545-0057

If exempt status is approved,
this application will be open
for public inspection.

Read the instructions for each Part carefully. **A User Fee must be attached to this application.**

If the required information and appropriate documents are not submitted along with Form 8718 (with payment of the appropriate user fee), the application may be returned to the organization.

Complete the Procedural Checklist on page 6 of the instructions.

Part I. Identification of Applicant (Must be completed by all applicants; also complete appropriate schedule.)

Submit only the schedule that applies to your organization. Do not submit blank schedules.

Check the appropriate box below to indicate the section under which the organization is applying:

- a ☐ Section 501(c)(2)—Title holding corporations (Schedule A, page 7)
- b ☒ Section 501(c)(4)—Civic leagues, social welfare organizations (including certain war veterans' organizations), or local associations of employees (Schedule B, page 8)
- c ☐ Section 501(c)(5)—Labor, agricultural, or horticultural organizations (Schedule C, page 9)
- d ☐ Section 501(c)(6)—Business leagues, chambers of commerce, etc. (Schedule C, page 9)
- e ☐ Section 501(c)(7)—Social clubs (Schedule D, page 11)
- f ☐ Section 501(c)(8)—Fraternal beneficiary societies, etc., providing life, sick, accident, or other benefits to members (Schedule E, page 13)
- g ☐ Section 501(c)(9)—Voluntary employees' beneficiary associations (Parts I through IV and Schedule F, page 14)
- h ☐ Section 501(c)(10)—Domestic fraternal societies, orders, etc., not providing life, sick, accident, or other benefits (Schedule E, page 13)
- i ☐ Section 501(c)(12)—Benevolent life insurance associations, mutual ditch or irrigation companies, mutual or cooperative telephone companies, or like organizations (Schedule G, page 15)
- j ☐ Section 501(c)(13)—Cemeteries, crematoria, and like corporations (Schedule H, page 16)
- k ☐ Section 501(c)(15)—Mutual insurance companies or associations, other than life or marine (Schedule I, page 17)
- l ☐ Section 501(c)(17)—Trusts providing for the payment of supplemental unemployment compensation benefits (Parts I through IV and Schedule J, page 18)
- m ☐ Section 501(c)(19)—A post, organization, auxiliary unit, etc., of past or present members of the Armed Forces of the United States (Schedule K, page 19)
- n ☐ Section 501(c)(25)—Title holding corporations or trusts (Schedule A, page 7)

1a Full name of organization (as shown in organizing document) Environment Maryland, Inc.		2 Employer identification number (EIN) (if none, see Specific Instructions on page 2) 20 : 4690041
1b c/o Name (if applicable)		3 Name and telephone number of person to be contacted if additional information is needed Jim Jacobson (617) 747-4312
1c Address (number and street) 3121 St. Paul St.	Room/Suite Suite 26	
1d City, town or post office, state, and ZIP + 4 If you have a foreign address, see Specific Instructions for Part I, page 2. Baltimore, MD 21218-3857		
1e Web site address www.EnvironmentMaryland.org	4 Month the annual accounting period ends June	5 Date incorporated or formed March 13, 2006
6 Did the organization previously apply for recognition of exemption under this Code section or under any other section of the Code? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No If "Yes," attach an explanation.		
7 Has the organization filed Federal income tax returns or exempt organization information returns? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No If "Yes," state the form numbers, years filed, and Internal Revenue office where filed.		


8 Check the box for the type of organization. ATTACH A CONFORMED COPY OF THE CORRESPONDING ORGANIZING DOCUMENTS TO THE APPLICATION BEFORE MAILING.

- a ☒ Corporation— Attach a copy of the Articles of Incorporation (including amendments and restatements) showing approval by the appropriate state official; also attach a copy of the bylaws.
- b ☐ Trust— Attach a copy of the Trust Indenture or Agreement, including all appropriate signatures and dates.
- c ☐ Association— Attach a copy of the Articles of Association, Constitution, or other creating document, with a declaration (see instructions) or other evidence that the organization was formed by adoption of the document by more than one person. Also include a copy of the bylaws.

If this is a corporation or an unincorporated association that has not yet adopted bylaws, check here ☐

I declare under the penalties of perjury that I am authorized to sign this application on behalf of the above organization, and that I have examined this application, including the accompanying schedules and attachments, and to the best of my knowledge it is true, correct, and complete.

PLEASE
SIGN
HERE


(Signature)

Jim Jacobson, Attorney

(Type or print name and title or authority of signer)

8/14/06
(Date)

For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see page 5 of the instructions.

Part II. Activities and Operational Information (Must be completed by all applicants)

- 1 Provide a detailed narrative description of all the activities of the organization—past, present, and planned. Do not merely refer to or repeat the language in the organizational document. List each activity separately in the order of importance based on the relative time and other resources devoted to the activity. Indicate the percentage of time for each activity. Each description should include, as a minimum, the following: (a) a detailed description of the activity including its purpose and how each activity furthers your exempt purpose; (b) when the activity was or will be initiated; and (c) where and by whom the activity will be conducted.

Environment Maryland, Inc. is organized for the purpose of engaging in public interest research, policy development, analysis, education, and advocacy to protect the environment and people of Maryland, including, but not limited to, the quality of Maryland's air, water, and land. In its efforts to assist residents and organizations of Maryland in addressing environment and public health concerns in their communities, Environment Maryland provides:

1. Information to understand environmental laws and regulations;
2. Strategies to encourage industry and government officials to a act;
3. Referrals to legal, technical, public interest and public health experts; and
4. Advocacy for the environment and public interest.

To further these goals, Environment Maryland is currently working on the following ongoing campaigns;

1. **Protecting Our Treasured Places:** Environment Maryland is working to increase funding for Program Open Space and develop policies to reduce the environmental impacts of development. The group spends about 40% of its time on this issue.
2. **Clean Up Dirty Power:** Environment Maryland is working to make sure energy companies comply with the Healthy Air Act, and that the Maryland Department of the Environment adequately enforces clean air laws. This campaign takes up about 30% of staff time.
3. **Clean Water:** Environment Maryland pursues many opportunities to reduce pollution from various sources that go into the Chesapeake Bay. This accounts for the final 20% of staff time.
4. **Toxics:** Environment Maryland is advocating legislation that bans dangerous chemicals from the marketplace. This campaign takes up about 10% of staff time.

There is no set finish date for these projects.

- 2 List the organization's present and future sources of financial support, beginning with the largest source first.
- This group will get its money from private individuals and other tax-exempt organizations.

Part II. Activities and Operational Information (continued)

3 Give the following information about the organization's governing body:

a Names, addresses, and titles of officers, directors, trustees, etc.	b Annual compensation
Doug Casler, President, 1129 State St. #10 Santa Barbara, CA 93101	\$0
Jen Brock, Vice-President, 4604 Hampnett Ave Baltimore MD 21214	\$0
Brad Heavner, Secretary & State Director (employee), 1022 W. 38th St. Baltimore, MD	\$16,500 as State Director

- 4** If the organization is the outgrowth or continuation of any form of predecessor, state the name of each predecessor, the period during which it was in existence, and the reasons for its termination. Submit copies of all papers by which any transfer of assets was effected.
- The organization is an outgrowth of Maryland Public Interest Research Group, Inc. ("MaryPIRG"), a tax-exempt 501 (c) (4) organization that has worked on environmental protection, consumer issues, and other matters affecting the public interest. The organization will take over and continue much of the environment work previously done by MaryPIRG, in addition to working on new environmental campaigns and issues.**

- 5** If the applicant organization is now, or plans to be, connected in any way with any other organization, describe the other organization and explain the relationship (e.g., financial support on a continuing basis; shared facilities or employees; same officers, directors, or trustees).
- See Attachment**

- 6** If the organization has capital stock issued and outstanding, state: **(1)** class or classes of the stock; **(2)** number and par value of the shares; **(3)** consideration for which they were issued; and **(4)** if any dividends have been paid or whether your organization's creating instrument authorizes dividend payments on any class of capital stock.
- N/A**

- 7** State the qualifications necessary for membership in the organization; the classes of membership (with the number of members in each class); and the voting rights and privileges received. If any group or class of persons is required to join, describe the requirement and explain the relationship between those members and members who join voluntarily. Submit copies of any membership solicitation material. Attach sample copies of all types of membership certificates issued.
- N/A**

- 8** Explain how your organization's assets will be distributed on dissolution.

Upon dissolution of the corporation, the Board of Directors shall, after making provisions for all liabilities of the corporation, arrange for the distribution of all assets to a non-profit organization having similar aims and objectives has and having tax-exempt status under Section 501 (c)(3) or (c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Part II. Activities and Operational Information (continued)

- 9 Has the organization made or does it plan to make any distribution of its property or surplus funds to shareholders or members? ☐ Yes ☒ No
If "Yes," state the full details, including: (1) amounts or value; (2) source of funds or property distributed or to be distributed; and (3) basis of, and authority for, distribution or planned distribution.

- 10 Does, or will, any part of your organization's receipts represent payments for services performed or to be performed? ☐ Yes ☒ No
If "Yes," state in detail the amount received and the character of the services performed or to be performed.

- 11 Has the organization made, or does it plan to make, any payments to members or shareholders for services performed or to be performed? ☐ Yes ☒ No
If "Yes," state in detail the amount paid, the character of the services, and to whom the payments have been, or will be, made.

- 12 Does the organization have any arrangement to provide insurance for members, their dependents, or others (including provisions for the payment of sick or death benefits, pensions, or annuities)? ☐ Yes ☒ No
If "Yes," describe and explain the arrangement's eligibility rules and attach a sample copy of each plan document and each type of policy issued.

- 13 Is the organization under the supervisory jurisdiction of any public regulatory body, such as a social welfare agency, etc.? ☐ Yes ☒ No
If "Yes," submit copies of all administrative opinions or court decisions regarding this supervision, as well as copies of applications or requests for the opinions or decisions.

- 14 Does the organization now lease or does it plan to lease any property? ☐ Yes ☒ No
If "Yes," explain in detail. Include the amount of rent, a description of the property, and any relationship between the applicant organization and the other party. Also, attach a copy of any rental or lease agreement. (If the organization is a party, as a lessor, to multiple leases of rental real property under similar lease agreements, please attach a single representative copy of the leases.)
Environment Maryland has an oral agreement to pay another 501 (c)(4) organization for office space.

- 15 Has the organization spent or does it plan to spend any money attempting to influence the selection, nomination, election, or appointment of any person to any Federal, state, or local public office or to an office in a political organization? ☐ Yes ☒ No
If "Yes," explain in detail and list the amounts spent or to be spent in each case.

- 16 Does the organization publish pamphlets, brochures, newsletters, journals, or similar printed material? ☒ Yes ☐ No
If "Yes," attach a recent copy of each.

Part III. Financial Data (Must be completed by all applicants)

Complete the financial statements for the current year and for each of the 3 years immediately before it. If in existence less than 4 years, complete the statements for each year in existence. If in existence less than 1 year, also provide proposed budgets for the 2 years following the current year.

A. Statement of Revenue and Expenses

Revenue	(a) Current Tax Year	3 Prior Tax Years or Proposed Budget for Next 2 Years			(e) Total
	From July 06 To June 07	(b) FY 08	(c) FY 09	(d)	
1 Gross dues and assessments of members	0	0	10,000		
2 Gross contributions, gifts, etc.	10,000	10,000	10,000		
3 Gross amounts derived from activities related to the organization's exempt purpose (attach schedule) (Include related cost of sales on line 9.)					
4 Gross amounts from unrelated business activities (attach schedule)					
5 Gain from sale of assets, excluding inventory items (attach schedule)					
6 Investment income (see page 3 of the instructions)					
7 Other revenue (attach schedule).	103,000	65,000	55,000		
8 Total revenue (add lines 1 through 7)	113,000	75,000	75,000		
Expenses					
9 Expenses attributable to activities related to the organization's exempt purposes.	44,600	5,000	0		
10 Expenses attributable to unrelated business activities					
11 Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts paid (attach schedule).					
12 Disbursements to or for the benefit of members (attach schedule)					
13 Compensation of officers, directors, and trustees (attach schedule)					
14 Other salaries and wages.	35,928	37,724	39,611		
15 Interest					
16 Occupancy	4,858	5,100	5,400		
17 Depreciation and depletion					
18 Other expenses (attach schedule)	22,603	23,734	24,929		
19 Total expenses (add lines 9 through 18)	107,989	71,558	69,940		
20 Excess of revenue over expenses (line 8 minus line 19)	5,011	3,442	5,060		

B. Balance Sheet (at the end of the period shown)

Assets		Current Tax Year as of 7/1/06	
		1	2
1 Cash		9,451	
2 Accounts receivable, net		0	
3 Inventories		0	
4 Bonds and notes receivable (attach schedule)		0	
5 Corporate stocks (attach schedule).		0	
6 Mortgage loans (attach schedule)		0	
7 Other investments (attach schedule)		0	
8 Depreciable and depletable assets (attach schedule)		0	
9 Land		0	
10 Other assets (attach schedule)		0	
11 Total assets		9,451	
Liabilities		12	13
12 Accounts payable		13,000	
13 Contributions, gifts, grants, etc., payable		0	
14 Mortgages and notes payable (attach schedule)		0	
15 Other liabilities (attach schedule)		0	
16 Total liabilities.		13,000	
Fund Balances or Net Assets		17	18
17 Total fund balances or net assets		0	
18 Total liabilities and fund balances or net assets (add line 16 and line 17)		13,000	

If there has been any substantial change in any aspect of the organization's financial activities since the end of the period shown above, check the box and attach a detailed explanation. ☐

Part IV. Notice Requirements (Sections 501(c)(9) and 501(c)(17) Organizations Only)

1 Section 501(c)(9) and 501(c)(17) organizations:

Are you filing Form 1024 within 15 months from the end of the month in which the organization was created or formed as required by section 505(c)? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If "Yes," skip the rest of this Part.

If "No," answer question 2.

2 If you answer "No" to question 1, are you filing Form 1024 within 27 months from the end of the month in which the organization was created or formed? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If "Yes," your organization qualifies under Regulation section 301.9100-2 for an automatic 12-month extension of the 15-month filing requirement. Do not answer questions 3 and 4.

If "No," answer question 3.

3 If you answer "No" to question 2, does the organization wish to request an extension of time to apply under the "reasonable action and good faith" and the "no prejudice to the interest of the government" requirements of Regulations section 301.9100-3? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If "Yes," give the reasons for not filing this application within the 27-month period described in question 2. See Specific Instructions, Part IV, Line 3, page 4, before completing this item. Do not answer question 4.

If "No," answer question 4.

4 If you answer "No" to question 3, your organization's qualification as a section 501(c)(9) or 501(c)(17) organization can be recognized only from the date this application is filed. Therefore, does the organization want us to consider its application as a request for recognition of exemption as a section 501(c)(9) or 501(c)(17) organization from the date the application is received and not retroactively to the date the organization was created or formed? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Schedule A Organizations described in section 501(c)(2) or 501(c)(25) (Title holding corporations or trusts)

- 1** State the complete name, address, and EIN of each organization for which title to property is held and the number and type of the applicant organization's stock held by each organization.
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- 2** If the annual excess of revenue over expenses has not been or will not be turned over to the organization for which title to property is held, state the purpose for which the excess is or will be retained by the title holding organization.
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- 3** In the case of a corporation described in section 501(c)(2), state the purpose of the organization for which title to property is held (as shown in its governing instrument) and the Code sections under which it is classified as exempt from tax. If the organization has received a determination or ruling letter recognizing it as exempt from taxation, please attach a copy of the letter.
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- 4** In the case of a corporation or trust described in section 501(c)(25), state the basis whereby each shareholder is described in section 501(c)(25)(C). For each organization described that has received a determination or ruling letter recognizing that organization as exempt from taxation, please attach a copy of the letter.
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- 5** With respect to the activities of the organization.
- a** Is any rent received attributable to personal property leased with real property? ☐ Yes ☐ No
If "Yes," what percentage of the total rent, as reported on the financial statements in Part III, is attributable to personal property?
- b** Will the organization receive income which is incidentally derived from the holding of real property, such as income from operation of a parking lot or from vending machines? ☐ Yes ☐ No
If "Yes," what percentage of the organization's gross income, as reported on the financial statements in Part III, is incidentally derived from the holding of real property?
- c** Will the organization receive income other than rent from real property or personal property leased with real property or income which is incidentally derived from the holding of real property? ☐ Yes ☐ No
If "Yes," describe the source of the income.
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Instructions

Line 1.—Provide the requested information on each organization for which the applicant organization holds title to property. Also indicate the number and types of shares of the applicant organization's stock that are held by each.

Line 2.—For purposes of this question, "excess of revenue over expenses" is all of the organization's income for a particular tax year less operating expenses.

Line 3.—Give the exempt purpose of each organization that is the basis for its exempt status and the Internal Revenue Code section

that describes the organization (as shown in its IRS determination letter).

Line 4.—Indicate if the shareholder is one of the following:

1. A qualified pension, profit-sharing, or stock bonus plan that meets the requirements of the Code;
2. A government plan;
3. An organization described in section 501(c)(3); or
4. An organization described in section 501(c)(25).

Schedule B **Organizations Described in Section 501(c)(4) (Civic leagues, social welfare organizations (including posts, councils, etc., of veterans' organizations not qualifying or applying for exemption under section 501(c)(19)) or local associations of employees.)**

- 1 Has the Internal Revenue Service previously issued a ruling or determination letter recognizing the applicant organization (or any predecessor organization listed in question 4, Part II of the application) to be exempt under section 501(c)(3) and later revoked that recognition of exemption on the basis that the applicant organization (or its predecessor) was carrying on propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation or on the basis that it engaged in political activity? . . . ☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes," indicate the earliest tax year for which recognition of exemption under section 501(c)(3) was revoked and the IRS district office that issued the revocation.

- 2 Does the organization perform or plan to perform (for members, shareholders, or others) services, such as maintaining the common areas of a condominium; buying food or other items on a cooperative basis; or providing recreational facilities or transportation services, job placement, or other similar undertakings? . . . ☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes," explain the activities in detail, including income realized and expenses incurred. Also, explain in detail the nature of the benefits to the general public from these activities. (If the answer to this question is explained in Part II of the application (pages 2, 3, and 4), enter the page and item number here.)

- 3 If the organization is claiming exemption as a homeowners' association, is access to any property or facilities it owns or maintains restricted in any way? . . . ☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes," explain.

- 4 If the organization is claiming exemption as a local association of employees, state the name and address of each employer whose employees are eligible for membership in the association. If employees of more than one plant or office of the same employer are eligible for membership, give the address of each plant or office.

N/A

Schedule C Organizations described in section 501(c)(5) (Labor, agricultural, including fishermen's organizations, or horticultural organizations) or section 501(c)(6) (business leagues, chambers of commerce, etc.)

- 1** Describe any services the organization performs for members or others. (If the description of the services is contained in Part II of the application, enter the page and item number here.)

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- 2** Fishermen's organizations only.—What kinds of aquatic resources (not including mineral) are cultivated or harvested by those eligible for membership in the organization?

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- 3** Labor organizations only.—Is the organization organized under the terms of a collective bargaining agreement? . . . ☐ **Yes** ☐ **No**

If "Yes," attach a copy of the latest agreement.

Schedule D Organizations described in section 501(c)(7) (Social clubs)

- 1** Has the organization entered or does it plan to enter into any contract or agreement for the management or operation of its property and/or activities, such as restaurants, pro shops, lodges, etc.? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If "Yes," attach a copy of the contract or agreement. If one has not yet been drawn up, please explain the organization's plans.

- 2** Does the organization seek or plan to seek public patronage of its facilities or activities by advertisement or otherwise? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If "Yes," attach sample copies of the advertisements or other requests.

If the organization plans to seek public patronage, please explain the plans.

- 3a** Are nonmembers, other than guests of members, permitted or will they be permitted to use the club facilities or participate in or attend any functions or activities conducted by the organization? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If "Yes," describe the functions or activities in which there has been or will be nonmember participation or admittance. (Submit a copy of the house rules, if any.)

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| b State the amount of nonmember income included in Part III of the application, lines 3 and 4, column (a) | _____ |
| c Enter the percent of gross receipts from nonmembers for the use of club facilities | _____ % |
| d Enter the percent of gross receipts received from investment income and nonmember use of the club's facilities | _____ % |

- 4a** Does the organization's charter, bylaws, other governing instrument, or any written policy statement of the organization contain any provision that provides for discrimination against any person on the basis of race, color, or religion? ☐ Yes ☐ No

b If "Yes," state whether or not its provision will be kept.

c If the organization has such a provision that will be repealed, deleted, or otherwise stricken from its requirements, state when this will be done. _____

d If the organization formerly had such a requirement and it no longer applies, give the date it ceased to apply. _____

e If the organization restricts its membership to members of a particular religion, check here and attach the explanation specified in the instructions ☐

See reverse side for instructions

Instructions

Line 1.—Answer "Yes," if any of the organization's property or activities will be managed by another organization or company.

Lines 3b, c, and d.—Enter the figures for the current year. On an attached schedule, furnish the same information for each of the prior tax years for which you completed Part III of the application.

Line 4e.—If the organization restricts its membership to members of a particular religion, the organization must be:

1. An auxiliary of a fraternal beneficiary society that:

a. Is described in section 501(c)(8) and exempt from tax under section 501(a), and

b. Limits its membership to members of a particular religion; or

2. A club that, in good faith, limits its membership to the members of a particular religion in order to further the teachings or principles of that religion and not to exclude individuals of a particular race or color.

If you checked **4e**, your explanation must show how the organization meets one of these two requirements.

Schedule E **Organizations described in section 501(c)(8) or 501(c)(10) (Fraternal societies, orders, or associations)**

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|----------|--|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1 | Is the organization a college fraternity or sorority, or chapter of a college fraternity or sorority? | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| | If "Yes," read the instructions for Line 1, below, before completing this schedule. | | |
| <hr/> | | | |
| 2 | Does or will your organization operate under the lodge system? | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| | If "No," does or will it operate for the exclusive benefit of the members of an organization operating under the lodge system? | | |
| | | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| <hr/> | | | |
| 3 | Is the organization a subordinate or local lodge, etc.? | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| | If "Yes," attach a certificate signed by the secretary of the parent organization, under the seal of the organization, certifying that the subordinate lodge is a duly constituted body operating under the jurisdiction of the parent body. | | |
| <hr/> | | | |
| 4 | Is the organization a parent or grand lodge? | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No |
| | If "Yes," attach a schedule for each subordinate lodge in active operation showing: (a) its name and address; (b) the number of members in it; and (c) how often it holds periodic meetings. | | |

Instructions

Line 1.—To the extent that they qualify for exemption from Federal income tax, college fraternities and sororities generally qualify as organizations described in section 501(c)(7). Therefore, if the organization is a college fraternity or sorority, refer to the discussion of section 501(c)(7) organizations in Pub. 557. If section 501(c)(7) appears to apply to your organization, complete Schedule D instead of this schedule.

Line 2.—Operating under the lodge system means carrying on activities under a form of organization that is composed of local branches, chartered by a parent organization, largely self-governing, and called lodges, chapters, or the like.

Schedule F Organizations described in section 501(c)(9) (Voluntary employees' beneficiary associations)

- 1** Describe the benefits available to members. Include copies of any plan documents that describe such benefits and the terms and conditions of eligibility for each benefit.

- 2** Are any employees or classes of employees entitled to benefits to which other employees or classes of employees are not entitled? ☐ Yes ☐ No
If "Yes," explain.

- 3** Give the following information for each plan as of the last day of the most recent plan year and enter that date here. If there is more than one plan, attach a separate schedule
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| | (mo.) (day) (yr.) |
- a** Total number of persons covered by the plan who are highly compensated individuals (See instructions below).
- b** Number of other employees covered by the plan.
- c** Number of employees not covered by the plan
- d** Total number employed*

* Should equal the total of **a**, **b**, and **c**—if not, explain any difference. Describe the eligibility requirements that prevent those employees not covered by the plan from participating.

- 4** State the number of persons, if any, other than employees and their dependents (e.g., the proprietor of a business whose employees are members of the association) who are entitled to receive benefits

Instructions

Line 3a.—A "highly compensated individual" is one who:

(a) Owned 5% or more of the employer at any time during the current year or the preceding year.

(b) Received more than \$80,000 (adjusted for inflation) in compensation from the employer for the preceding year, and

(c) Was among the top 20% of employees by compensation for the preceding year. However, the employer can choose not to have **(c)** apply.

Schedule G Organizations described in section 501(c)(12) (Benevolent life insurance associations, mutual ditch or irrigation companies, mutual or cooperative telephone companies, or like organizations)

- 1 Attach a schedule in columnar form for each tax year for which the organization is claiming exempt status. On each schedule:
- a Show the total gross income received from members or shareholders.
- b List, by source, the total amounts of gross income received from other sources.

- 2 If the organization is claiming exemption as a local benevolent insurance association, state:

- a The counties from which members are accepted or will be accepted.

- b** Whether stipulated premiums are or will be charged in advance, or whether losses are or will be paid solely through assessments.

- 3 If the organization is claiming exemption as a "like organization," explain how it is similar to a mutual ditch or irrigation company, or a mutual or cooperative telephone company.

- 4 Are the rights and interests of members in the organization's annual savings determined in proportion to their business with it? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- If "Yes," does the organization keep the records necessary to determine at any time each member's rights and interests in such savings, including assets acquired with the savings? ☐ Yes ☐ No

- 5 If the organization is a mutual or cooperative telephone company and has contracts with other systems for long-distance telephone services, attach copies of the contracts.

Instructions

Mutual or cooperative electric or telephone companies should show income received from qualified pole rentals separately. Mutual or cooperative telephone companies should also show separately the gross amount of income received from nonmember telephone companies for performing services that

involve their members and the gross amount of income received from the sale of display advertising in a directory furnished to their members.

Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from those sources.

Schedule H **Organizations described in section 501(c)(13) (Cemeteries, crematoria, and like corporations)****1** Attach the following documents:

- a** Complete copy of sales contracts or other documents, including any "debt" certificates, involved in acquiring cemetery or crematorium property.
- b** Complete copy of any contract your organization has that designates an agent to sell its cemetery lots.
- c** A copy of the appraisal (obtained from a disinterested and qualified party) of the cemetery property as of the date acquired.

- 2** Does your organization have, or does it plan to have, a perpetual care fund? ☐ **Yes** ☐ **No**
If "Yes," attach a copy of the fund agreement and explain the nature of the fund (cash, securities, unsold land, etc.)

- 3** If your organization is claiming exemption as a perpetual care fund for an organization described in section 501(c)(13), has the cemetery organization, for which funds are held, established exemption under that section? ☐ **Yes** ☐ **No**
If "No," explain.

Schedule I Organizations described in section 501(c)(15) (Small insurance companies or associations)

- 1** Is the organization a member of a controlled group of corporations as defined in section 831(b)(2)(B)(iii)? (Disregard section 1563(b)(2)(B) in determining whether the organization is a member of a controlled group.) ☐ **Yes** ☐ **No**

If "Yes," include on lines 2 through 5 the total amount received by the organization and all other members of the controlled group.

If "No," include on lines 2 through 5 only the amounts that relate to the applicant organization.

	(a) Current Year	3 Prior Tax Years		
	From _____ To _____	(b) _____	(c) _____	(d) _____
2 Direct written premiums				
3 Reinsurance assumed				
4 Reinsurance ceded				
5 Net written premiums ((line 2 plus line 3) minus line 4)				
6 If you entered an amount on line 3 or line 4, attach a copy of the reinsurance agreements the organization has entered into.				

Instructions

Line 1.—Answer "Yes," if the organization would be considered a member of a controlled group of corporations if it were not exempt from tax under section 501(a). In applying section 1563(a), use a "more than 50%" stock ownership test to determine whether the applicant or any other corporation is a member of a controlled group.

Line 2.— In addition to other direct written premiums, include on line 2 the full amount of any prepaid or advance premium in the year the prepayment is received. For example, if a \$5,000 premium for a 3-year policy was received in the current year, include the full \$5,000 amount in the Current Year column.

Schedule J Organizations described in section 501(c)(17) (Trusts providing for the payment of supplemental unemployment compensation benefits)

1 If benefits are provided for individual proprietors, partners, or self-employed persons under the plan, explain in detail.

2 If the plan provides other benefits in addition to the supplemental unemployment compensation benefits, explain in detail and state whether the other benefits are subordinate to the unemployment benefits.

3 Give the following information as of the last day of the most recent plan year and enter that date here

a Total number of employees covered by the plan who are shareholders, officers, self-employed persons, or highly compensated (See Schedule F instructions for line 3a on page 14.)

b Number of other employees covered by the plan

c Number of employees not covered by the plan

d Total number employed*

* Should equal the total of **a**, **b**, and **c**—if not, explain the difference. Describe the eligibility requirements that prevent those employees not covered by the plan from participating.

4 At any time after December 31, 1959, did any of the following persons engage in any of the transactions listed below with the trust: the creator of the trust or a contributor to the trust; a brother or sister (whole or half blood), a spouse, an ancestor, or a lineal descendant of such a creator or contributor; or a corporation controlled directly or indirectly by such a creator or contributor?

Note: If you know that the organization will be, or is considering being, a party to any of the transactions (or activities) listed below, check the "Planned" box. Give a detailed explanation of any "Yes" or "Planned" answer in the space below.

a Borrow any part of the trust's income or corpus?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Planned
b Receive any compensation for personal services?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Planned
c Obtain any part of the trust's services?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Planned
d Purchase any securities or other properties from the trust?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Planned
e Sell any securities or other property to the trust?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Planned
f Receive any of the trust's income or corpus in any other transaction?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Planned

5 Attach a copy of the Supplemental Unemployment Benefit Plan and related agreements.

State of Maryland
Department of
Assessments and Taxation

Charter Division



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Director

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Date: 03-13-2006

This letter is to confirm acceptance of the following filing:

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STOCK: N
CLOSE: N
EFFECTIVE DATE: 03-13-2006
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BALTIMORE MD 21218-3857
RESIDENT AGENT: BRAD HEAVNER
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NOTICE: Effective January 1, 2004

As a result of a change in State law, the annual report fee for most legal entities (including LLCs and LLPs) will increase to \$300. This fee is for the privilege of maintaining a legal entity's existence in Maryland, and is due and payable with the filing of the personal property return. The increase is effective for any return, regardless of year, filed after 12/31/2003.

There continues to be no annual report fee for non-stock corporations, business trusts, churches, foreign interstate companies, foreign insurance companies, sole proprietorships and general partnerships, but these entities must still file a personal property return annually.

Articles of Incorporation for a Nonstock Corporation

FIRST: The undersigned **Marjorie Alt** whose address is **44 Winter Street, Boston, MA 02108**, being at least eighteen years of age, does hereby form a corporation under the laws of the State of Maryland.

SECOND: The name of the corporation is **Environment Maryland, Inc.**

THIRD: The purposes for which the corporation is formed are as follows: **public interest research, policy development, analysis, education, and advocacy to protect the environment and people of Maryland, including, but not limited to, the quality of Maryland's air, water and land.**

FOURTH: The street address of the corporation in Maryland is **3121 St. Paul St., Suite 26, Baltimore, MD 21218-3857**

FIFTH: The name of the resident agent of the corporation in Maryland is **Brad Heavner** whose address is **3121 St. Paul St., Suite 26, Baltimore, MD 21218-3857.**

SIXTH: The corporation has no authority to issue capital stock.

SEVENTH: The number of directors of the corporation shall be **5** which number may be increased or decreased pursuant to the bylaws of the corporation. The name(s) of the director(s) who shall act until the first meeting or until their successors are duly chosen and qualified are **Brad Heavner, Doug Casler, and Jennifer Brock.**

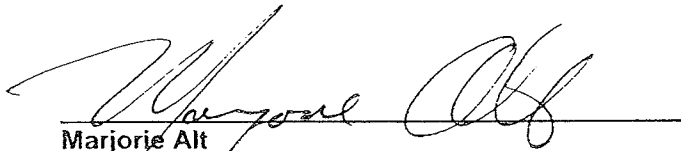
EIGHTH: No additional provisions.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have signed these articles and acknowledge the same to be my act.

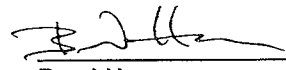
I hereby consent to my designation as resident agent for this corporation.

SIGNATURE OF INCORPORATOR:

SIGNATURE OF RESIDENT AGENT LISTED IN FIFTH:



Marjorie Alt



Brad Heavner

Filing party's return address:

Marjorie Alt
c/o Legal Department
Fund for Public Interest Research, Inc.
44 Winter Street, 4th Floor
Boston, MA 02108

Environment Maryland, Inc.
By-Laws

Article 1. Name and Location

The name of the corporation shall be Environment Maryland, Inc. The corporate headquarters and principal office shall be located in Maryland.

Article 2. Provisions of Law

These By-Laws shall be subject to the statutory and common laws of the state of Maryland and to the Articles of Incorporation of the corporation.

Article 3. Purposes and Powers

The purposes for which the corporation is formed are set out in its Articles of Incorporation. The corporation is not organized for gain or individual profit and it shall be operated exclusively for social welfare purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code. The corporation is organized for the purpose of conducting public interest research, policy development, analysis, education, litigation, and advocacy to protect the environment and people of Maryland, including but not limited to, the quality of Maryland's air, water and land.

Subject to the above limitations, the corporation shall have and enjoy all the powers conferred from time to time upon a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Maryland.

Article 3. Board of Directors

There shall be a Board of Directors that shall be appointed by the incorporator(s). It shall be composed of between three (3) and (5) persons. The business and affairs of the corporation shall be managed and controlled by the Board of Directors which shall have final authority to disperse the funds of the corporation and to establish and implement policy subject to the laws of the State of Maryland, these By-Laws and the Articles of Incorporation of the corporation.

The Board may be expanded, vacancies on the Board may be filled, and Directors may be removed from office with or without cause by a majority vote of the Directors then in office, subject to the approval and consent of the Executive Committee or Board of the National Association of Organizations in the Public Interest, Inc. The National Association of Organizations in the Public Interest, Inc. may, by a two-thirds vote of its Board of Directors, expand, fill a vacancy, or remove a Director(s) of the corporation from office with or without any action on the part of the Board of the corporation.

The corporation shall be represented on the Board of Directors of the National Association of Organizations in the Public Interest, Inc. The representatives of the

corporation shall be selected by the corporation's Board of Directors, which selection shall be subject to the approval and consent of the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors of the National Association of Organizations in the Public Interest, Inc.

The Board of Directors shall designate an Executive Director, or other individual, who shall have responsibility for managing the day-to-day affairs of the corporation and for executing the policies set by the Board of Directors.

Article 4. Officers

The officers of the corporation shall be a President, a Vice President, a Treasurer and a Secretary, and such other officers as the directors may determine necessary. The officers shall have such duties and powers as are commonly incident to the respective offices and such duties and powers as the Directors may from time to time designate. The Officers will be elected by the Board and will serve at the pleasure of the Board. The directors may remove any officer with or without cause upon a majority vote of the directors then in office. Vacancies in any office may be filled by the directors at any meeting of the Board. The President, subject to the Directors' discretion, shall have general supervision and control of the corporation's business. The Treasurer will be the corporation's chief financial officer, keeping or causing to be kept accurate books of account. The Clerk will keep a true record of the proceedings of all meetings of the Board.

Article 5. Consent and Actions of Board of Directors

The Executive Director, or any two members of the Board, may call a Board meeting by giving oral or written notice to the members of the Board at least two days before the meeting date. Notice of a meeting shall state the date, time and place of the meeting. A Board member need not receive notice if he or she waives notice either in a writing to be included with the minutes, or by attending the meeting and not protesting the lack of notice.

The Board of Directors shall meet at least once a year and may meet more often at the request of any three directors. At any meeting of the Board of Directors, a majority of Directors in office, but no fewer than two (2), shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, and the acts of a majority of the entire Board of Directors shall be the acts of the Board of Directors. Such acts may include the appointment of new Directors or termination of present Directors.

Meetings may be held, or members of the Board may participate in a meeting by means of a telephone conference call or similar communications equipment by means of which all persons can hear each other at the same time, and participation by such means shall constitute presence in person at a meeting.

Any action that may be taken at a meeting of the Board of Directors may be taken without a meeting, if a written consent thereto is signed by each Director and such written consent is filed with the records of the meetings of the Directors. Such consent shall be

treated as a vote at a meeting for all purposes. A Director's consent to action taken without meeting may be delivered by electronic mail if given after an e-mail poll conducted in accordance with the guidelines set forth in the following paragraph.

Action may be taken by e-mail poll only if every member of the Board of Directors receives a copy of a "Proposal to Take Action via E-mail" message at his or her current e-mail address. The message shall indicate that the Proposal is open for discussion and that all comments on the Proposal must be sent to all other Directors through use of a "Reply All" or similar function. Any Director who believes the Proposal should not be passed via e-mail poll may so indicate in his or her reply and the Proposal will be held for the following Board meeting or conference call. At the conclusion of discussion messaging, the originator of the Proposal shall call for a vote for or against the Proposal, and each Director shall send his or her vote to all other Directors. The originator shall then reply to all Directors stating whether the Proposal has passed, and records shall be printed and filed with the Board minutes of the corporation.

Article 6. Fiscal Year

The fiscal year shall end on June 30th each year.

Article 7. Seal

The notarized signature of any officer of the corporation shall be deemed to be the seal of the corporation.

Article 8. Amendments

These By-Laws may be amended or repealed upon the vote of a majority of the Board of Directors; provided, however, that paragraphs Article 3 relating to the National Association of Organizations in the Public Interest, Inc. may not be amended or repealed except by unanimous vote of all the Directors and with the consent of the National Association of Organizations in the Public Interest, Inc. Any amendments to the By-Laws shall be consistent with the Articles of Incorporation.

Article 9. Members

The corporation shall have one class of members that shall have no voting rights. Those who contribute annually to the corporation at or above an established membership level shall make an affirmative declaration of their desire to join as a member of the corporation. Members shall sign a statement indicating their support for the corporation's mission. Members shall have the right to receive the corporation's newsletter and e-mail action alerts; the right to attend member appreciation events; the right to participate in citizen projects; the right to advise the corporation on policy initiatives and priorities through means designated by the Board of Directors, such as participation in surveys and/or advisory committees. The provisions of this policy and bylaw articles shall be

implemented in whole, or in part, by the Executive Director or the Executive Director's designee.

Article 10. Indemnification

To the extent permitted by law, upon the vote of a majority of disinterested directors, the corporation may, on its discretion, indemnify any officer or director in connection with any action, claim, or suit relating to or arising out of his/her acts or omissions as an officer or director of the corporation.

These By-Laws are effective as of 2/5/06 2006.



Summer Report

Landmark new law will clean up power plants

On May 31, the Maryland General Assembly passed the Healthy Air Act, a bill to reduce emissions from the dirtiest power plants in the state. Gov. Ehrlich signed the bill one week later.

The Healthy Air Act will require the six dirtiest power plants in Maryland to reduce the pollution that causes smog, soot, global warming, the dead zone in the bay, and mercury contamination of fish. It will require reductions of 75 percent in nitrogen oxide emissions, 85 percent in sulfur dioxide, 90 percent in mercury and 10 percent in carbon dioxide.

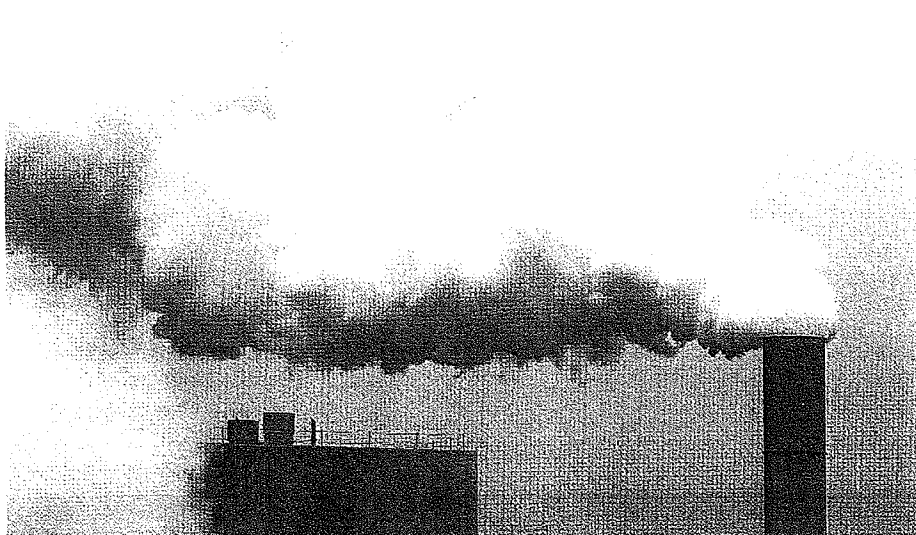
The bill is the strongest legislation limiting power plant emissions ever passed by any state in the country.

The law, sponsored by Sen. Paul Pinsky and Del. James Hubbard, both from Prince George's County, passed in the state Senate on May 20 by a vote of 33-14. The House of Delegates passed the bill the following week by a vote of 107-27.

Years of Work

Environment Maryland advocated for this bill for four years—most of it through the former home of our environmental work, Maryland PIRG.

Staff and advocates of Environment Maryland arranged panels of experts to testify at hearings and released seven research reports on the issue. We were on the scene throughout each legislative session to meet with lawmakers, respond to misinformation from the bill's opponents, and work with reporters to ensure accurate coverage.



Coal-fired power plants are the largest industrial source of smog, soot, mercury and global warming pollution. The Healthy Air Act will require our dirtiest plants to modernize.

Environment Maryland also knocked on tens of thousands of doors throughout the state to engage the public on the campaign.

"This campaign makes for a good blueprint of how to put a major issue on the table, gradually overcome strong opposition, and win over enough support to pass a strong new law," said Environment Maryland State Director Brad Heavner. "A lot of people put in a lot of hard work, and we were happy to be quarterbacking the effort."

Groundbreaking Policy

The new law closes a loophole in the federal Clean Air Act that power companies have exploited for decades. The loophole allowed companies to avoid installing modern pollution controls on their oldest power plants.

The bill also requires the largest sources of mercury emissions to install best available technology and requires Maryland to participate in a regional global warming agreement with seven other East Coast states.

This marks the first time that mercury and global warming pollution from power plants will be subject to limits. It will save an estimated 500 lives per year, reduce nitrogen pollution in the Chesapeake Bay, and make fish safer to eat.

How you can help

Visit www.EnvironmentMaryland.org, to send an e-mail to your legislators, thanking them if they voted the right way and asking them to explain themselves if they didn't.

Regional mercury reductions

Environment Maryland, together with a coalition of environmental and public health advocates, is calling on states throughout the region to reduce mercury emissions from power plants.

The Ozone Transport Commission is a regional body of the environmental agencies of thirteen states, from Virginia to Maine, plus the District of Columbia. The commission is currently finalizing a policy to reduce power plant pollution in each of its member states. Early drafts of the policy have included reductions in mercury emissions, but some states are pressuring their neighbors to exclude mercury from the final regulations.

"To adopt new rules to clean up power plants but not include mercury would be bad public policy," said Environment Maryland Policy Associate Chris Fick. "This pollutant is damaging babies' brains. How can they ignore it?"

While much of Maryland's mercury pollution comes from local sources, experts agree that a significant amount of mercury blows into Maryland from out of state. Maryland's Healthy Air Act could be a model for the region.

Mercury contamination documented

At the opening of fishing season, Environment Maryland Research and Policy Center released a comprehensive report in April examining all fish testing data from the past several years. It was the first time multiple databases from different state agencies were combined to get a more complete picture of mercury contamination across the state.

The study confirms that fish caught in lakes, rivers and reservoirs across Maryland contain enough mercury that they present a health risk.

The report, *Mercury Pollution in Maryland*, found several disturbing facts about fish contamination:

- 59 percent of fish caught and tested in Maryland contained more than 30 parts per billion (ppb) of mercury, the level above which the EPA and FDA recommend people limit their consumption.
- Nearly one in ten fish contained mercury at a concentration of 300 ppb or greater.
- The most contaminated sample had a mercury level of 2,077 ppb.

Power plants are the biggest source of mercury in Maryland, followed by municipal waste incinerators, paper production, medical waste incinerators and cement manufacturing.

Ingesting mercury causes neurological problems. Children who are exposed may have problems concentrating, display worse motor skills, and learn to walk and talk at a later age. Adults with more mercury in their bodies may be at an increased risk of experiencing a heart attack. The report estimated that in Maryland 6,000 to 12,000 unborn children are exposed in utero to levels of mercury that exceed federal safety standards.

Based on testing data from Maryland waters, the state has issued fish consumption advisories since 2001. Maryland warns the general population to limit consumption of seven species of fish from across the state.



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The Maryland Department of the Environment has issued fish consumption advisories for every river and lake in the state.

Report from Annapolis

Clean energy victories

The Solar Energy Grant Program is the state's leading mechanism to promote solar power, providing grants to install solar energy units in homes and businesses. Yet this program has been drastically underfunded, providing grants for just 22 homeowners last year.

Environment Maryland brought together an alliance of environmental, energy and business interests to expand support for the program. Working with our partners, we convinced the governor to allocate \$2.5 million for solar power. Unfortunately, the office of legislative analysis recommended cutting all but \$500,000 of the funding. In the end, Environment Maryland managed to convince the General Assembly to keep \$1.5 million of the funding. This support will help fund about 600 solar systems over the next year.

We also helped pass a bill to create more generous terms for connecting a building with solar panels to the electricity grid. Surplus energy they generate over the course of a month will now be counted as a credit on the following month's energy bill. In addition, we successfully advocated for legislation committing the state to reduce energy consumption by ten percent.

Mercury contamination bills

Mercury, a known neurotoxin, has long been a target for environmental and public health advocates. This year, Environment Maryland helped pass two bills that will reduce mercury pollution in Maryland. In addition to the Healthy Air Act, the General Assembly passed a bill to ban

the sale and manufacture of thermostats that contain mercury. When disposed of improperly, mercury thermostats are often incinerated, contributing to the state's mercury pollution.

Environment Maryland also supported a bill that creates a program to reclaim mercury from automobiles when they are scrapped. Mercury is a component in switches used in cars, even though mercury-free alternatives exist. That bill passed the Senate but stalled in the House.

Agricultural runoff pollution

Environment Maryland continues work to make poultry companies clean up their act and to invest \$100 million in conservation practices on farms. This funding is vital if Maryland hopes to meet its bay restoration deadline.

On Jan. 16, the governor responded with \$15 million in new funding for agricultural conservation practices for the coming year.

In addition, the General Assembly passed a bill that contains \$62 million in recommended appropriations. However, that funding is not guaranteed. The bill also makes some policy changes that will improve farmland preservation and tax credits for farmers.

"While these efforts are a good step toward helping agriculture in Maryland become more sustainable, they do not approach the level for funding needed to create healthy farms," said Jennifer Bevan-Dangel, staff attorney of Environment Maryland.

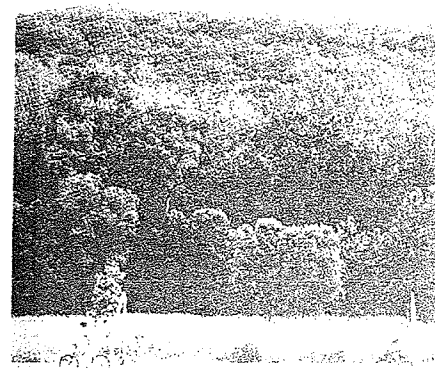
Land conservation funding

Program Open Space
Maryland's leading land conservation program. The state has pledged a total of \$100 million to the program over the next five years.

From 2003-2007, the state will allocate \$400 million to the program. The program is designed to help Maryland's rural and urban areas by providing grants to local governments and private organizations to purchase and protect open space.

This year, the state has allocated \$15 million to the program. The Program Open Space is a vital part of the state's effort to protect its natural resources and to provide a better quality of life for its citizens.

But the battle is not over. The state must continue to fight for the program and to ensure that the funding is used to protect the state's natural resources and to provide a better quality of life for its citizens.



Summer Report

Mission Statement

We all want clean air, clean water and open spaces. But it takes independent research and tough-minded advocacy to win concrete results for our environment, especially when powerful interests stand in the way of environmental progress. That's the idea behind Environment Maryland.

We focus exclusively on protecting Maryland's air, water and open spaces. We research problems, advocate solutions, and educate and engage the public at the local, state and national levels to improve the quality of our environment and our lives.

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To Environment Maryland Supporters

I am excited to announce the creation of Environment Maryland, the new home of Maryland PIRG's environmental work.

As you know, Maryland PIRG has worked hard for more than three decades to give the people of Maryland a voice on a range of critically important issues, especially those where powerful special interests stand in the way of reform.

Thanks to your support, we have won many victories. Maryland has cleaner air, lakes, rivers, and streams, fewer consumer rip-offs, and more open spaces than it otherwise would.

But, obviously, there is much more to be done.

After careful thought and planning, we concluded that the best way to advance all of our work—both for consumers and the environment—was to separate our organization into two distinct groups.

Environment Maryland is now doing all the environmental work previously done by Maryland PIRG. Meanwhile, Maryland PIRG will continue to be a strong and independent voice for the public interest on major issues like health care, home-owners' rights, ethics reform and more.

Environment Maryland will continue to use the same creative, results-oriented approach to our state's environmental problems that has made such a big difference over the past 30 years.

Moreover, with a clear name and a single-minded focus, we expect that Environment Maryland will be able to win the support of more pro-environment Marylanders.

And, with Maryland facing so many important environmental challenges, we all know our environment needs all the help it can get.

Thank you for all you have done to make Maryland PIRG successful—and for the generosity and support we hope you will provide as Environment Maryland launches a new era of action and advocacy for the people of Maryland.



Environment Maryland State Director Brad Heavner testifies on the Healthy Air Act before the House Economic Matters Committee in February.

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Form 1024 Application for Recognition of Exemption
Attachment to Part II, Question #5

The organization plans to be connected with The Environment Maryland Research and Policy Center, Inc., which is a Maryland non-profit that will be exempt under Section 501 (c)(3). The organizations may share office space, for which costs will be properly allocated, and may share employees, whose salaries will be properly allocated. The groups will share 1 director. The organization also will be a member of the National Association of Organizations in the Public Interest ("NAOPI"). NAOPI is a non-profit organization whose purpose is to facilitate the sharing of ideas, resources, vision and accountability among the state Public Interest Research Groups, State Environment groups and other affiliated public interest charitable organizations. More than 40 groups belong to NAOPI and each has a representative on its Board. The groups meet bi-annually to discuss programs and activities.

Environment Maryland, Inc.
3121 St. Paul St., Suite #26
Baltimore, MD
EIN # 20-4690041

**Form 1024 Application for Recognition of Exemption
Attachment to Part III A, Line 7**

Environment Maryland, Inc. will receive loans from the Fund for Public Interest Research, Inc., a non-profit organization exempt from tax under Section 501 (c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Environment Maryland, Inc.
3121 St. Paul St., #26
Baltimore, MD 21218
EIN # 20-4690041

Form 1024 Application for Recognition of Exemption
Attachment to Part III A, Line 18

Other Expenses	FY 07	FY 08	FY 09
Dprc/Computer	\$0	\$0	\$0
Dues/conferences	\$2,835	\$3,000	\$3,150
Supplies	\$840	\$880	\$925
Postage	\$800	\$840	\$885
Printing/Copies	\$7,690	\$8,075	\$8,500
Office Equip.	\$900	\$945	\$990
Phone	\$2,000	\$2,100	\$2,205
Travel	\$1,680	\$1,760	\$1,850
Taxes	\$0	\$0	\$0
Filing Fees	\$330	\$330	\$330
Program and Web Development	\$5,528	\$5,804	\$6,094
Total	\$22,603	\$23,734	\$24,929